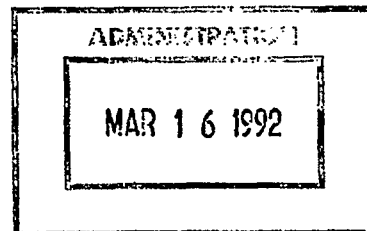


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Mr. Samuel Chilcote, President
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Re: Cruel Animal Experiments

Dear Mr. Chilcote:

I am appalled that the U.S. tobacco industry funds cruel and fatal animal experiments designed to disprove the known health hazards of cigarette smoking. These experiments, which harm and kill thousands of animals a year, represent the height of deceit and corporate callousness. Your industry's actions are inexcusable.

Louis Sullivan, U.S. Secretary of Health and Human Services, says that, "Smoking is the number one preventable cause of death in America." That being the case, what do these animal experiments prove? Says Eric Dunayer, D.V.M., "I have watched the dogs struggle in their harnesses as smoke is blown into their faces. I have watched the dogs froth so violently that their facemasks have become flooded with saliva. And I have seen dogs, like humans addicted to cigarettes, suffer nicotine withdrawal when they have not smoked for a few days. I have no doubt that the whole process causes enormous suffering." Shame on you, Mr. Chilcote! And shame on your entire industry. Because humans choose to smoke, we should not torment animals by forcing them to do so in useless experiments, the information from which is not extrapolatable to humans anyway!

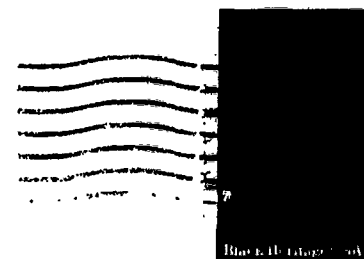
I shall do everything in my power to educate others about your institute's support of cruelty. I urge you to put an immediate end to your ludicrous animal "research" immediately.

I await your response.

Sincerely,

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